

Washington State Immunization Information System Update:

A new release of the Washington State Immunization Information System (WA IIS) is moving into production on August 8, 2014. We have several changes in the Vaccine Ordering and Management module (VOMS) and Provider Agreements and some new functionality. This document includes a summary of the changes.

Vaccine Ordering

- The system will now ignore all flu vaccine orders for Economic Order Quantity (EOQ). Only orders for “regular” vaccines are subject to EOQ exception message processing.
- Local and State approvers will now see the Order Set for each order displayed on the Approve Orders screen. This will make it easier for approvers to identify flu orders without opening each order.
- Local and State approvers can now use the column headers to sort the orders in each section of the Approve Orders screen.

Inventory Management

- A few of the existing vaccine inventory reports have new functionality including the Vaccine Lots to Expire report, the Lot Number Summary report, and the Inventory Submission report.
- Subtracted doses will now display correctly on the Lot Number Maintenance screen.

Accountability Reporting

- Several problems with displaying doses administered that did not decrement have been fixed on the Washington Vaccine Administered report. Include all vaccinations (public and private) when running this report to view doses administered that did not decrement the IIS inventory.
- Date stamping within the Washington Vaccine Doses Administered report, vaccine ordering and order approval screens have been corrected.

Provider Agreement

- When adding a new agreement, the screen will now load a bit faster.
- Shipping days and times are listed vertically in order from Monday through Friday.
- If a provider has an agreement in Returned status, they will not be able to add a new agreement. An error message will display directing the provider to edit the existing agreement.
- We made changes to the Frozen Vaccine Certification/Cold Storage screen to help prepare us for using the Cold Storage module in the IIS. Even though we’re not quite ready to use Cold Storage, we’ll start capturing data now.
 - Each storage unit listed on the agreement must be given a unique Name. This is a required field. Providers need to update the preset data (e.g. Freezer1 or Refrigerator1) with a name that describes the unit in a way that makes it easily identified by the provider staff and site visit reviewers (e.g. Dispensary, Pharmacy, Large Pink Fridge, etc.).
 - The thermometer Serial Number and Calibration Expiration Date are new fields for each unit listed on the agreement. The fields are optional, but we’d like for providers to fill in as much information as possible.

- Providers can now mark a storage unit as Inactive instead of deleted the unit when it has been replaced or is no longer in use.
- The storage unit Type fields are longer to better display the Freezer and Refrigerator Types in the drop down lists.
- We've enhanced the provider agreement export file to display more of the data being captured in the IIS.

Additional Support

- We're working on a new email link in the Answers section of the navigation menu. Once the link is set up users will be able to submit their questions about the IIS to the IIS Help Desk or the Childhood Vaccine Program staff. We will be monitoring the mailboxes during regular business hours.
- Users can also view training videos in the Answers section of the navigation menu. The videos include high-level tutorials on how to use the IIS for vaccine ordering, vaccine receiving, provider agreement, and Mass Immunizations. Please note the videos are not specific to Washington State and may be a little outdated at this time.

Known Issues – We continue to work on fixes for these issues:

- For some providers, new provider agreements may not display correctly when the facility has been merged with another or when the Organization (IRMS) has changed.
- Providers with more than eight (8) providers listed on the Authorized Providers screen will only see the first eight providers on the printed agreement (fix coming in December).
- Providers with more than two (2) vaccine storage units on the Cold Storage screen will only see the first two units on the printed agreement (fix coming in December).
- When an existing provider adds a new agreement for this year, most of the storage unit data from the previous agreement does not carry over. Providers will need to complete the missing fields for all of their storage units. This issue should not re-occur during subsequent provider agreements.
- LHJs are not able to view submitted Doses Administered reports by providers. The Doses Administered Button on the create order page and order approval page are not working correctly. The "Washington State Vaccine Monthly Doses Administered Report" under State Reports is also not working correctly.